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SUBJ: CIVAIR: LIAT GETS FURTHER SHORT-TERM LEASE ON LIFE

REF: BTN 1627 AND PREVIOUS (NOTAL)

- 1. REPORT FROM ANTIGUA CARRIED THIS MORNING'S ADVOCATE NEWS STATES THAT HMG HAS INCREASED LINE OF CREDIT TO LIAT AND THAT CREDIT WILL CONTINUE PENDING COMPLETION OF NEGOTIATIONS NOW IN PROGRESS FOR PURCHASE OF LIAT ASSETS.
- 2. REPORT ALSO STATES THAT TALKS ARE BEING HELD WITH VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT ON POSSIBLE FINANCING OF PROPOSED PURCHASE LIAT ASSETS BY REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS AND THAT GOV KEENLY INTERESTED.
- 3. COMMENT: OFFICE OF BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER HERE BELIEVES NEWSPAPER REPORT TO BE ACCURATE AND ASSUMES HMG/SUPPORT HAS BEEN CONTINUED FOR ANOTHER MONTH BUT, IN ABSENCE OF OFFICIAL INFORMATION FROM LONDON, CANNOT FURNISH DETAILS OF THE ARRANGEMENT. UNCLASSIFIED

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4. REPORTEDLY GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD HAS DEFINITELY REJECTED PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL VENTURE. QPESS GOV WILLING ASSIST, OR SOME OTHER OUTSIDE SOURCE OF FUNDING CAN BE FOUND, IT IS DIFFICULT TO SEE HOW VENTURE CAN GET OFF THE GROUND. OBVIOUSLY, LIAT'S FUTURE REMAINS VERY MUCH IN DOUBT. SIMMS

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